

eFigure 5 Senescence markers on T cells in young and old MS patients and HD. Flow cytometric analysis of frozen PBMC from young ( $\leq$  50 years) and old (> 50 years) patients with multiple sclerosis (MS) (young: n=40, old: n=38) and healthy donors (HD) (young: n=20, old: n=20). Demographic data of study subjects are depicted in eTable 1. (A) Frequencies of CD28<sup>-</sup> CD4 and CD8 T cells. (B) Proportions of CD57<sup>+</sup> CD4 and CD8 T cells. Data are displayed as boxplots of the median and the 25<sup>th</sup> and 75<sup>th</sup> percentile  $\pm$  IQR. Statistical analysis was conducted by two-tailed Mann-Whitney test. Differences were considered statistically significant with the following *P*-values: \*P < 0.05, \*\*P < 0.01, \*\*\*P < 0.001 and \*\*\*\*P < 0.001